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August 28, 1944

HOME GROUNDS

Ponce de Leon Park
Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Effa Manley
71 Crawford Street
Newark, 2, New Jersey.

Dear Mrs. Manley :

I am sorry to delay your answer, but we were getting the dates at the various parks confirmed before writing anything definite to you. We have been very successful in getting the parks we know will pay and we are arranging attentive schedule for your approval.

Our plans are to play in Atlanta on Sunday the 17th and Monday the 18th. This game should draw well and I would roughly say that you may make 8 or 9 hundred dollars for the Sunday game and 3 or 4 for the Monday night game. Our park has been good all year and with Newark coming here with the kind of build up I intend to give this series we should make good. If you confirm our engagement in time where we can go to work on it right away with about three weeks to build it up to the sky, then we would pack the park which holds about 16,000 fans.

After the Atlanta appearance I've planned two dates in Nashville on the following Tuesday and Wednesday nights and the best town in the south for baseball on Thursday and Friday night in Knoxville, Tenn. You should pull in about a thousand or more dollars during the week of play after we leave Atlanta. Then we could play somewhere in south the following Sunday.

If you accept this Mrs. Manley please send us right off mats and publicity of players so that we can start building the games up now. The percentage will be the same you are offering us, 30% less federal tax for all the games.

Please let us hear something on this right off. I am sure it will profit you to keep the ball players together a few more days as you can make good money down here.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely

John H. Harden

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